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(TSR) The mixing of SA-6 and SA-8 systems has been seen for the fourth time in the USSR (Figure 1). Three of the sightings were in self-propelled antiaircraft regiments at motorized rifle division barracks, and the fourth was in a tactical SAM troop training area at the Emba Missile Test Center, USSR

(TSR) The first sighting was when two SA-8 batteries and two SA-6 transporter-erector-launchers (TELs) were observed in the SA-6 regimental area at Dauriya Motorized Rifle Division Headquarters/Barracks AL-1 SAM Support Figure 2). The second sighting was when an SA-6 battery and two SA-

8 batteries were observed in the SA-8 regimental area at Bezrechnaya Army Barracks AL-1

Then on photography an SA-8

battery with three SA-6 batteries was observed in a prepared parking site just southeast of the operations support area at the Emba Missile Test Center (Figure 4). This area is usually used only for troop training by mobile SAM units. Resupply and support vehicles for both systems and the STRAIGHT FLUSH radar were in the prepared parking area with the

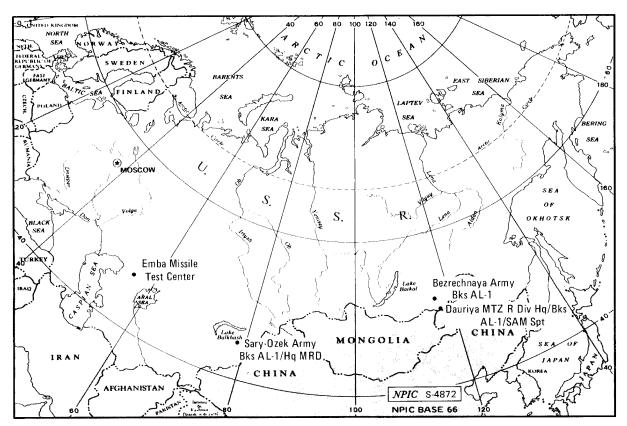


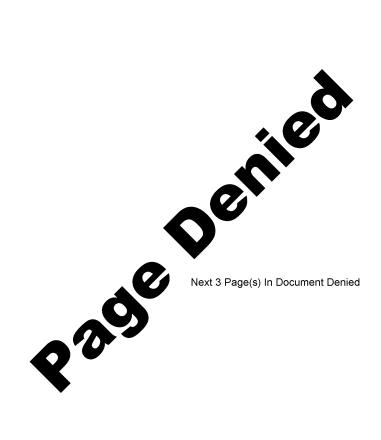
FIGURE 1. SIGHTINGS OF MIXED SA-6 AND SA-8 EQUIPMENT IN THE SOVIET UNION



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(S/WNINTEL) While the exact makeup of this new mixed SA-6 and SA-8 SAM regiment is unclear, the four-battery (three SA-6 and one SA-8) organization has been seen in two of the four sightings to date. (S/WNINTEL) The SA-6 missile system has a range of 4.0 to 27.0 kilometers (km), an effective altitude of 30 to 9,000 meters, and uses semiactive homing guidance. The SA-8 missile system has a range of 1.0 to 12.3 km, an effective altitude of from less than 20 to 12,300	SA-6 batteries (the same systems mix ratio seen tal area (Figure 5). All three divisional deployn along the Sino-Soviet Border. Dauriya and Ber District; Sary-Ozek is in the Central Asian Mi	nents have been at motorized rifle divisions zrechnaya are in the Transbaykal Military	
effective altitude of 30 to 9,000 meters, and uses semiactive homing guidance. The SA-8 missile system has a range of 1.0 to 12.3 km, an effective altitude of from less than 20 to 12,300 meters, and uses command guidance. (S/WNINTEL) The integration of two complementary systems into ground force air defense units to provide a more effective capability has been employed previously by the Soviets. An antiaircraft battery subordinate to a motorized rifle regiment or a tank regiment	(S/WNINTEL) While the exact makeup of	f this new mixed SA-6 and SA-8 SAM regi-	
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